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1. The reply filed on 23 October 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): All amendments filed on or after the effective date of 30 July 2003 must comply with revised 37 CFR 1.121. See MPEP 714.03 (Rev. 1, Feb 2003). See Final Rule: Changes To Implement Electronic Maintenance of Official Patent Application Records (68 Fed. Reg. 38611 June 30, 2003, posted on the Office's website at: <http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/ifw/> with related information. The noncompliant section(s) will have to be corrected and the entire corrected section(s) resubmitted within a set period.

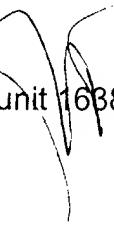
Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

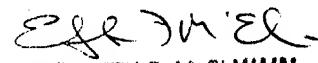
2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Georgia L. Helmer whose telephone number is 703-308-7023. Note that Examiner's phone number will change to 571-272-0796 as of 6 January 2004. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 - 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Amy Nelson can be reached on 703-306-3218. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-308-4242.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0196.

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